

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

Attached hereto is one (1) sheet of corrected formal drawings that complies with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. The corrected formal drawings incorporate the following drawing changes:

In FIG.2, the shading in the shaded boxes has been removed.

It is respectfully requested that the corrected formal drawings be approved and made a part of the record of the above-identified application.

### **REMARKS**

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough consideration provided the present application. Claims 1-16 are present in the application. The drawings and claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 have been amended. Claim 1 is independent. Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

#### **Drawings Objection**

The drawings have been objected to because the texts in the shaded boxes are difficult to read. Applicants have submitted one (1) sheet of corrected formal drawings to address the Examiner's requested changes. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that this objection has been obviated and/or rendered moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's drawings objection are respectfully requested.

#### **Claim Objection**

Claim 5 has been objected to due to insufficient antecedent basis. In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that this objection has been addressed. Accordingly, this objection has been obviated and/or rendered moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

**Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103**

Claims 1-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Buchanan, U.S. Patent No. 5,148,366. in view of Chen, U.S. Patent No. 6,073,146. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In light of the foregoing amendments to the claims, Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection has been obviated and/or rendered moot. As the Examiner will note, independent claim 1 has been amended to recite a combination of steps including “activating a word processing software from a plurality of word processing softwares”. Applicants respectfully submit that the above combination of steps as set forth in amended independent claim 1 is not disclosed nor suggested by the references relied on by the Examiner.

Buchanan discloses a document generation system for enhancing or replacing the process of dictating and transcribing. In particular, Buchanan teaches: the document generation system utilizes a document structure including phrase fields containing user-definable phrases and option-text fields; the users then make the desirable modification; and the system generates a document (see Abstract). In other words, the document generation system of Buchanan is a dedicated system and does not work with any other word processing software. The system itself is a word processing system and provides the editing/inputting function. Therefore, Buchanan fails to teach “activating a word processing software from a plurality of word processing softwares” as recited in claim 1.

To further clarify the present invention, Applicants respectfully submit that the present invention provides for a method to provide auxiliary writing models for word processing software applications such as NotePad, WordPad, UltraEdit, Han-Shu, etc. Unlike Buchanan, it does not require the users to use the dedicated word processing system. The users therefore have the flexibility to choose their preferred word processing software applications. This feature is not shown in Buchanan or any other utilized references.

With regard to the Examiner's reliance on Chen, this reference has only been relied on for its teachings of using Chinese characters. This reference also fails to disclose the above combination of steps as set forth in amended independent claim 1. Accordingly, this reference fails to cure the deficiencies of Buchanan.

Accordingly, neither of the references utilized by the Examiner individually or in combination teach or suggest the limitations of amended independent claim 1 or its dependent claims. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1 and its dependent claims clearly define over the teachings of the references relied on by the Examiner.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103 are respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

Since the remaining patents cited by the Examiner have not been utilized to reject the claims, but merely to show the state of the prior art, no further comments are necessary with respect thereto.

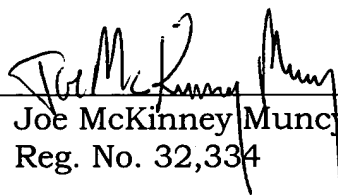
It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the Office Action, and that as such, the Examiner is respectfully requested to send the application to Issue.

In the event there are any matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Joe McKinney Muncy, Registration No. 32,334 at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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